



# Offshore Yacht Racing Association

## The Southern Cross Race – Sailing Instructions

Sponsored by the San Rafael Yacht Club

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. This race will be governed by the rules as defined by *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012* and the *YRA Standing Sailing Instructions*, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.

### 2. ENTRIES

- 2.1. This race is open to all qualified yacht owners who are season racers in OYRA, or have paid a one-time entry fee for this YRA event, and have met the minimum equipment requirements for YRA Ocean Races.
- 2.2. Yachts That have not submitted a signed Boat & Crew Information/Statement of Compliance Sheet to the YRA by the deadline will not be considered starters and will be scored DNS.

### 3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. **ALL YACHTS MUST CHECK IN ON VHF CHANNEL 69 WITH THE RACE COMMITTEE DURING THE CHECK IN PERIOD 0930 TO 1030.**
- 3.2. Failure of a boat to check in before the deadline and establish two-way communication with the race committee will result in the boat not being considered to have started and will be scored DNS. The Race Committee may make announcements on, and will monitor **Channel 69**, but will not be able to respond to queries in the one minute before and after a start. Vessels in need of *safety assistance* should hail the Coast Guard on Channel 16 in case of emergency.

### 4. SCHEDULE OF RACE:

Race	Day and Date	Time of Warning Signal & Flag
Southern Cross Race	SUN Sep 18th, 2011	1040 hours – First Division Warning

#### 4.1. SCHEDULED STARTING SEQUENCE

FLEET	DIVISION FLAG
PHRO 1A	A - ALPHA
PHRO 1	C - CHARLIE
PHRO 2	D - DELTA
PHRO 3	E - ECHO
SHS	F - FOXTROT

### 5. START

- 5.1. Between Mark "A" and an orange marker on the St. Francis Yacht Club race deck.

### 6. COURSE

- 6.1. **COURSE 1:** From the start, to the South Approach Buoy Y "S" (YRA SO) to starboard, then to Approach Buoy R "SF" (YRA SF) to starboard, then to finish. Calculated Distance: 33.1 nm
- 6.2. **COURSE 2:** From the start, to the South Approach Buoy Y "S" (YRA SO) to starboard, then to finish. Calculated Distance: 29.2 nm

### 7. FINISH

- 7.1. Same as the starting line.



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## 8. TIME LIMIT

- 8.1. All boats not finishing by 2000 hours on Saturday June 25, 2011 will be scored DNF.
- 8.2. Yachts finishing after 1800 hours on September 18, 2011 if not receiving a response from the RC must take their own time and report it to the YRA Answering Service at (415)771-9500. RC will attempt to maintain a watch on the radio for approaching boats & for safety.

## 9. MISSING MARK

- 9.1. In the event a mark is missing the course shall be the same as indicated in these instructions. Boats shall round the mark by navigation to the Lat/Lon of the mark as indicated in the most recent Light List. Skipper shall maintain a log of the Lat/Lon and time of rounding.

## 10. REPORTING FINISH/WITHDRAWAL/DNF

- 10.1. Boats finishing during the night will illuminate the boat's sail numbers to assist the RC. In addition, each boat should record her own finish time and note both the boat ahead and behind, whenever possible.
- 10.2. Boats not finishing within the time limit or boats not completing the course, unless directly and specifically acknowledged by the RC, must report the fact to the YRA answering service at 415-771-9500. If not able to report while underway, telephone contact must be made immediately after coming ashore. Any boat not so reporting will be scored points equal to a DSQ under YRA SSI 2.0 and is considered a DNE (Disqualification not excludable).

## 11. PENALTIES

- 11.1. RRS 44.2 (two-turns penalty) is not in effect. Penalties shall apply under RRS 44.3 using a penalty of 20% of the number of boats that came to the starting area but not less than one or more than DNF.

## 12. BOAT & CREW INFORMATION/STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE SHEET

- 12.1. A Boat & Crew Information/Statement of Compliance sheet (**ATTACHMENT 1**) **MUST** be on file with the YRA office **no later than 1700 hrs the Thursday before the start**. Boats that fail to submit their sheets by the Thursday deadline will not be considered entered in the race and will be ineligible to race. Forms must be faxed to 415-276-2378 or emailed to [info@yra.org](mailto:info@yra.org).

## 13. PROTEST

- 13.1. In accordance with the YRA Standing Sailing Instructions Article 17.0.

## 14. RELEASE OF LIABILITY

- 14.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizer (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## 15. RACE COMMITTEE

- 15.1. San Rafael YC: 415-459-9828  
PRO: Richard Lockman 415-457-2007

## 16. INFORMATION

- 16.1. YRA: (415)771-9500 or e-mail [info@yra.org](mailto:info@yra.org).

**ATTACHMENT 1 – CREW/BOAT INFORMATION & STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

**SHEET(CBISOC)**

**THIS FORM MUST BE FAXED OR EMAILED TO THE YRA OFFICE NO LATER THAN 1700 hrs THE THURSDAY BEFORE THE START. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE CBISOC SHEET ON TIME WILL CAUSE A BOAT TO BE INELIGIBLE TO RACE. FAX TO 415-276-2378, OR EMAIL TO [INFO@YRA.ORG](mailto:INFO@YRA.ORG)**

BOAT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SAIL #: \_\_\_\_\_

DECK COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_ HULL COLOR: \_\_\_\_\_

BOAT TYPE: \_\_\_\_\_ LOA: \_\_\_\_\_ DRAFT: \_\_\_\_\_

MARINA: \_\_\_\_\_ BERTH: \_\_\_\_\_

EPIRB TYPE: \_\_\_\_\_ BEACON ID: \_\_\_\_\_ REGISTERING AUTHORITY: \_\_\_\_\_

# OF VHF RADIOS ON BOARD: \_\_\_\_\_ ON BOARD CELL PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

SKIPPER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SKIPPER'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ SKIPPER'S CELL #: \_\_\_\_\_

SKIPPER'S EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ CONTACT PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**OYRA MINIMUM EQUIPMENT STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

Each boat entered in a YRA offshore race must meet the OYRA Minimum Equipment Requirements (Found online at [www.yra.org/OYRA/ocean\\_safety.html](http://www.yra.org/OYRA/ocean_safety.html)). By signing below I do hereby certify that I have read, am thoroughly familiar with, and agree to fully comply with the OYRA Minimum Equipment Requirements.

SKIPPERS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW #5 : \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 6: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 7: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 8: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 9: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 10: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 11: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 12: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 13: \_\_\_\_\_

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CREW # 14: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

CREW # 15: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_